GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
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HERITAGE PROPERTIES
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the names of heritage buildings in the country, State-wise;

(b) the amount spent on every building for its up - keep annually;

(c) whether majority of the buildings including many temples at Malati Village in Jharkhand and Seikh Farid Tomb and Lekha Chhatri are in bad condition ; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with steps taken to protect them ?

Answer

MINISTER FOR TOURISM AND CULTUR (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a) The Archaeological Survey of India has declared3606 centrally protected monuments which also include heritage buildings. A list of such monuments is available in the Parliament Library.

(b) The expenditure incurred on the maintenance & conservation of the centrally protected monuments for the last three years is as under:

1999-2000 Rs. 2873.56 lakhs
2000-2001 Rs. 2917.65 lakh
2001-2002 Rs. 4950.00 lakh

As some monuments like forts, temple, complexes are protected as a single monument, the expenditure incurred building wise can not be indicated.

(c&d) The temple and buildings at Malati Jharkhand are notcentrally protected monuments as such these do not come with the purview of Archaeological Survey of India. Due to an earthquakein BHUJ on 26.1.2001 the super structure oftwo monuments namely Sheikh Farids Tomb at Patan & Rao Lakhas Chatri,Bhuj have been totally damaged. The serviceable architectural members have been salvaged. Action has been initiated for documentation & preparation of drawings so that the monuments can be restored.